

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN

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Name: _____

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Answer the questions on the other page then color the WHOLE WORD below based on your answer. Next, write a summary statement or the main idea. Don't forget to underline the answers IN THE PASSAGE with the same color.

4 What kind of glasses did Benjamin Franklin invent?
5 He was sent to France to negotiate the Treaty of ____.
6 Franklin bought the Pennsylvania ____ newspaper.
7 He founded the University of ____.
8 Franklin served as ____ General.
9 What currency did Franklin use?
10 What animal did he draw?
11 What year did he die?
12 Franklin invented the ____ candle.

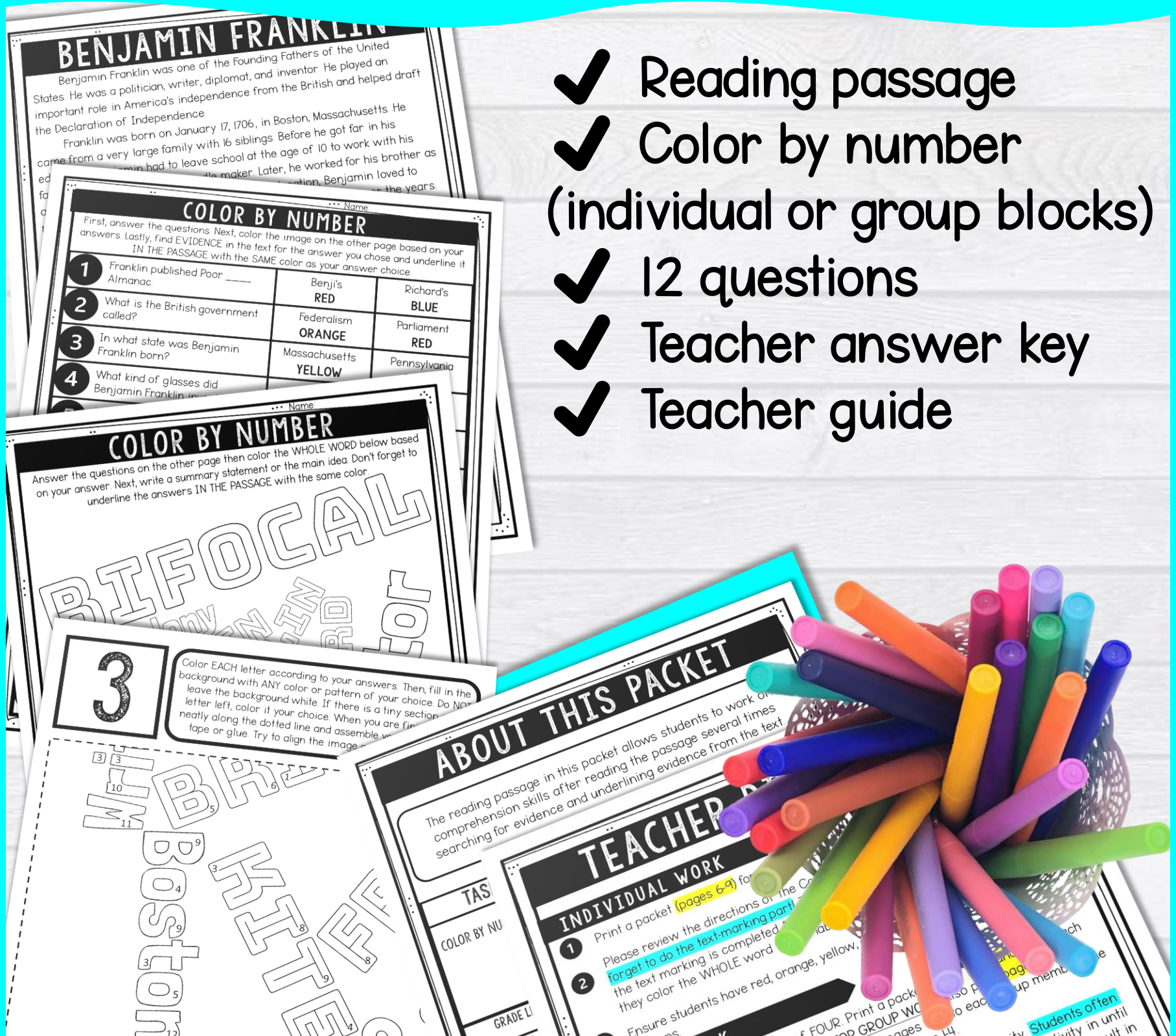
Massachusetts	YELLOW	Pennsylvania	GREEN
	Bifocals		Sunglasses
	GREEN		ORANGE
	Paris		Versailles
	ORANGE		RED
	Post		Gazette
	RED		YELLOW
	Boston		Pennsylvania
	ORANGE		BLUE
	Master		Surgeon
			GREEN

Color EACH letter according to your answers. Then, fill in the background with ANY color or pattern of your choice. NOT leave the background white. If there is a tiny section of a letter left, color it your choice. When you are finished, cut along the dotted line and assemble your picture with tape or glue. Try to align the image as best as you can.

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WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- ✓ Reading passage
- ✓ Color by number (individual or group blocks)
- ✓ 12 questions
- ✓ Teacher answer key
- ✓ Teacher guide



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First, answer the questions. Next, color the image on the other page based on your answers. Lastly, find EVIDENCE in the text for the answer you chose and underline it IN THE PASSAGE with the SAME color as your answer choice.

1	Franklin published Poor _____ Almanac	Benji's RED	Richard's BLUE
2	What is the British government called?	Federalism ORANGE	Parliament RED
3	In what state was Benjamin Franklin born?	Massachusetts YELLOW	Pennsylvania
4	What kind of glasses did Benjamin Franklin invent?		

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ABOUT THIS PACKET

The reading passage in this packet allows students to work on comprehension skills after reading the passage several times searching for evidence and underlining evidence from the text.

TEACHER WORK

INDIVIDUAL WORK

1 Print a packet (pages 6-9) for each student.

2 Please review the directions on the packet. For the text marking part, the text marking is completed. Then, have the students color the WHOLE word in the text. Ensure students have red, orange, yellow, and blue.

GROUP WORK

Print a packet (pages 6-9) for each group. Assign one student to each group. Students often work in groups.



TEXT MARKING

Find evidence
in the text

... Name: _____

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For the questions. Next, color the image in the other page based on your answers. Find EVIDENCE in the text for each question and underline it. IN THE PASSAGE with the SAME color as your answer choice.

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What kind of glasses did Benjamin Franklin wear?	Bifocals GREEN	Sun C
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When he was 17, Franklin moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Using his experience from his time at his brother's print shop, Benjamin began working as a printer in Pennsylvania. At 23 years old, Franklin bought the Pennsylvania Gazette newspaper in 1729. He became very well known throughout the American Colonies for his writing and intellect. In 1732, he began publishing Poor Richard's Almanac, one of his most famous publications. These were published anonymously under the name Richard Saunders and featured clever quotes, weather, information, and more. Franklin was able to make a living by selling the annual publication for the next 25 years.

Ben Franklin was responsible for the "Join or Die" drawing, which includes parts of a snake that represent the colonies. This drawing first appeared in Franklin's paper on May 9, 1754. The popular snake drawing is recognized as the first political cartoon in the United States. From 1775 to 1776, Franklin served as the first Postmaster General of the United States. Between 1750 to 1775, he lived in London. He spoke to the Parliament (government) on behalf of the colony of Pennsylvania.

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